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FOR: A METHOD OF FORMING AN INTERLEVEL DIELECTRIC LAYER
 EMPLOYING DIELECTRIC ETCH-BACK PROCESS WITHOUT EXTRA
 MASK SET

Enclosed are:

- 8 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- Priority Claimed.
- Certified copy of _____
- 3 sheets of formal drawing.
- An assignment of the invention to ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES, INC.
and the assignment recordation fee.
- An associate power of attorney.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
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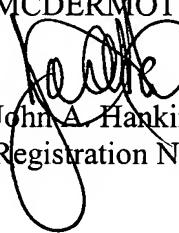
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